

Senate Resolution 873

By: Senator Harp of the 29th

A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life and memory of Dr. Kenneth Peirce; and for other purposes.

2 WHEREAS, the State of Georgia mourns the loss of one of its most distinguished citizens
3 with the passing of Dr. Kenneth Peirce on January 17, 2010; and

4 WHEREAS, Dr. Peirce was born on October 30, 1933, in Dayton, Ohio, a beloved son of the
5 late Lorraine and Richard Peirce; and

6 WHEREAS, his family moved to Warner Robins, Georgia, when he was seven, and Dr.
7 Peirce was the first Eagle Scout of Warner Robins; and

8 WHEREAS, Dr. Peirce earned a bachelor's degree from Mercer University and a medical
9 degree from Tulane University, completed his residency at Charity Hospital in New Orleans,
10 and was a Fellow at Baylor University of Medicine and the American Fellowship of
11 Pediatrics; and

12 WHEREAS, he served as a guardian of this nation's freedom and liberty as a Captain with
13 the United States Army in Japan as a pediatrician; and

14 WHEREAS, Dr. Peirce had his own pediatric practice in Melbourne, Florida, before moving
15 to Columbus, Georgia, where he was a pediatric allergist and immunologist; and

16 WHEREAS, an active community leader, Dr. Peirce was a member of the Columbus Rotary
17 Club and was president-elect and treasurer of the Columbus Hospice Board of Directors; and

18 WHEREAS, Dr. Peirce was united in love and marriage for 21 years to his adoring wife,
19 Daphne, and was blessed with the love of four children, Taber, Alan, Richard, and Deborah;
20 two step-children, Leslie and Michael; eight grandchildren; and three step grandchildren; and

21 WHEREAS, he was a person of magnanimous strengths with an unimpeachable reputation
22 for integrity, intelligence, fairness, and kindness and, by the example he made of his life, he
23 made this world a better place in which to live; and

24 WHEREAS, a compassionate and generous man, Dr. Peirce will long be remembered for his
25 love of family and friendship, and this loyal husband, father, brother, and friend will be
26 missed by all who had the great fortune of knowing him.

27 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE that the members of this body
28 join in honoring the life and memory of Dr. Kenneth Peirce and express their deepest and
29 most sincere regret at his passing.

30 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Secretary of the Senate is authorized and directed
31 to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Dr. Kenneth Peirce.